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To

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Dated Amritsar, 20th September 1911.

Sir,

I take the liberty of sending you the enclosed prospectus of the newly formed Numismatic Society of India, and write to - ask if you would care to join the Society. The aims and objects of this body are adequately described, and it only remains for me to add that arrangements have been made to supply each ---- member with the Numismatic Supplements to the Journal of the - Asiatic Society of Bengal as they appear. It is hoped that --- sympathisers will become members, and it is not intended that membership should be confined to actual collectors. If ~~they~~ you --- know of any other persons interested in coins who would be -- likely to join the Society, I shall be glad to communicate with them if you will very kindly supply me with their names and -- addresses.

I have been referred to you as being interested in Indian numismatics, by Mr Allan of the British Museum.

Yours truly

R.B. Whitehead.

Lahore.
Panjab.
8/2/12.

Dear Sir.

It is some time since I received your kind letter, and I ought to have acknowledged it before. I am glad you will join our new Society, and enclose the latest Proceedings.

The gold coin whose impression you sent to me, is one of Ghiyas Shah Khalji of

Malwa, but its reverse side differs from those of coins known to me. It apparently contains Ghiyas Shah's laqab, Jalal ud Din. I will show the rubbing to Mr Nelson Wright at Allahabad; perhaps you have seen the new volumes of the Catalogue of the Indian Museum, Calcutta. The Muhammadan coins have been catalogued by Mr Wright. Vol II contains the Gujarat & Malwa coins amongst other series.

A good deal of numismatic work is now being done here. I have

two catalogues for the Indo-Greek & Mughal coins in the Lahore Museum, in hand.

Our ultimate object is to prepare authoritative Corpora of the coins of the Pathans & Mughals of Dehli.

I shall be very glad to hear from you at any time. I probably go to England on eighteen months' furlough in three months' time.

Yours faithfully
R. B. Whitehead.

To Howland Wood Esq.

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Dear Sir.

Many thanks for your last letter. It is good of you to help the new Society, and I trust it will become a permanent & useful body.

As regards local & Native State issues, these are so monotonous, uninteresting, & illegible, that

~~they~~ ~~are~~ few if any collectors take an interest in them. After all the field is so wide, and other series are so interesting. ~~that~~

I leave India on 18 months' furlough on May 17th, & my home address is

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Yours faithfully
R.B. Whitehead.

Howland Wood Esq.